

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.	:	10/541772	Confirmation No.	1465
Applicant	:	Hideo Hata et al.		
Filed	:	July 8, 2005		
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Examiner	:	Ali Soroush		
Title	:	Water-Swellable Clay Mineral Laminated Powder, Dye- Water-Swellable Clay Mineral Complex And Composition Containing The Same		
Docket No.	:	IWI-16117		
Customer No.	:	007609		

AMENDMENT "B"

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20090328)

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated March 31, 2009. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.